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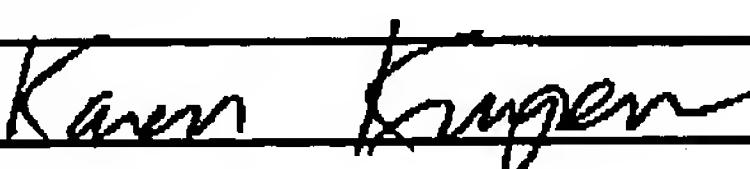
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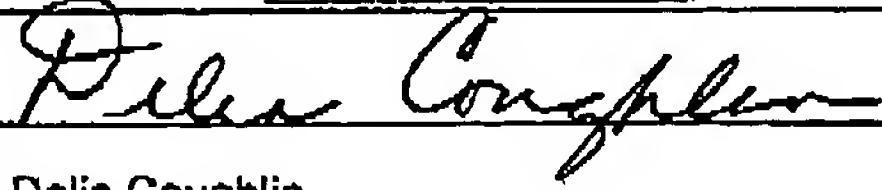
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Application No.: **10/774,721**

Filed: **February 9, 2003**

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EXPRESSION OF THE OB-RGRP PROTEIN AND
METHOD FOR DETECTING COMPOUNDS
WHICH MODIFY THE INTERACTION
BETWEEN PROTEINS OF THE OB-RGRP
FAMILY AND THE LEPTIN RECEPTOR**

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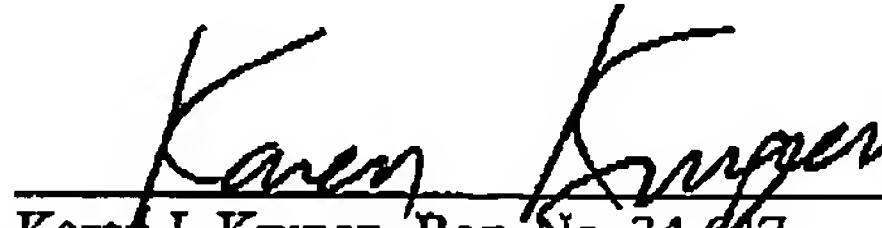
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